

The City

Located in Los Angeles County's South Bay, Torrance borders the Pacific Ocean and beach communities to the west and the Palos Verdes peninsula to the south. Ideally situated near the 405 (San Diego) freeway and 20 minutes from the Los Angeles International Airport, Torrance occupies 21 square miles, including a beachfront and the Mardona Marsh, a fresh-water habitat. Torrance is within a 45-minute drive of many major Southern California attractions.

Incorporated in 1921 and chartered in 1947, Torrance has a population of nearly 147,000 and is the 12th largest city in California. Torrance is a full-service city with an annual budget in excess of \$200 million and a staff of over 1600 in 14 departments. The City has a council-manager form of government with an elected mayor and six council members.

The area enjoys a pleasant year-round climate with warm temperatures, gentle sea breezes and low humidity. The City boasts 46 parks and recreation amenities and six public libraries. The 502-seat James Armstrong Theatre in the Torrance Cultural Arts Center is an excellent venue for professional and local productions.

The community's population is culturally rich with an estimate of more than 80 languages spoke in local schools. Contributing to this diversity are such world-class international companies as Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., American Honda Motor Company, Hi-Shear Corporation, Robinson Helicopter, Honeywell, Panasonic, and Virco Manufacturing, each of which call Torrance Home. Four major shopping centers are located in Torrance, including Del Amo Fashion Center, one of the largest shopping centers in the world.



City of Torrance

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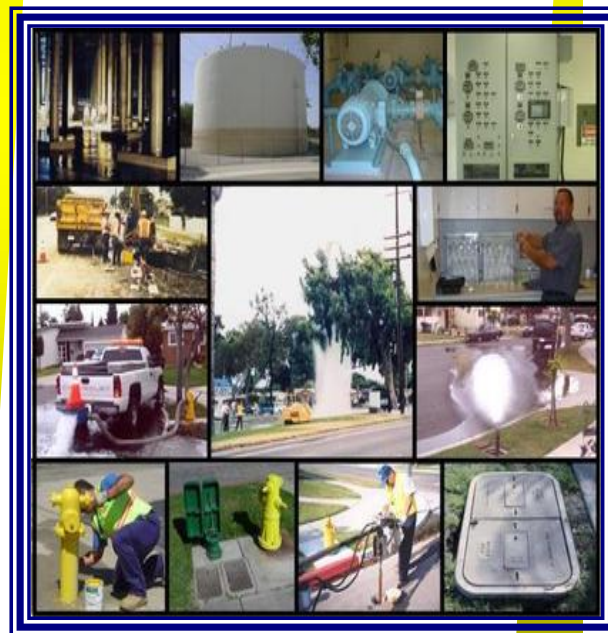
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WATER SYSTEM OPERATOR III

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The City of Torrance is hiring for crew leads to provide technical expertise in the field to entry and intermediate level Water System Operators. In this lead role, the Water System Operator III is responsible for:

- ★ Planning the work
- ★ Ensuring safety
- ★ Training crew members
- ★ Troubleshooting
- ★ Responding to customer concerns in the field

This position also performs the most complex skilled work in the installation, maintenance and repair of the City's water system; performs water quality control and meter repair. The most frequent jobs include preventative maintenance, corrective actions, and emergency repairs to water mains, hydrants, and replacing valves.

In addition to above, the **IDEAL** candidate will possess:

- ★ Strong technical skills with the ability to motivate and lead a crew;
- ★ Water Distribution Certificate Grade 4 or 5;
- ★ Computer skills including knowledge of SCADA software;
- ★ Flexibility to adapt to various work environments ranging from working in-house at the meter shop and water quality office to working in field services is a must.

For a comprehensive list of duties for the Water System Operator III position, please access our website's job description link: go to www.TorranceCA.Gov, quick link to "Human Resources," then click "Job Descriptions."

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Salary

\$29.86 to \$34.58/hour

- ★ Employees on **night shift** are paid a shift differential of **7.5%**. Employees on **swing shift** are paid a shift differential of **5%**.
- ★ Up to **3% premium** pay for Water Distribution certification Grade IV.
- ★ Up to **3%% premium** for Water Distribution certification Grade V.

Minimum Requirements

Any combination of education and experience that provides the knowledge and skills is qualifying.

A typical way to qualify would be:

- ★ High school diploma or equivalent;
- ★ Four years of progressively responsible experience in the installation, maintenance, repair and/or inspection of water distribution facilities;
- ★ Possession of a State Water Resources Control Board (Previously the State of California Department of Health Services) Water Distribution License Grade D3 and a State of California Department of Health Services Water Treatment License Grade T2 ; **AND**
- ★ Valid State of California Class A driver's license is also required.

Special Notes

In accordance with the memorandum of understanding between AFL-CIO Local 1117, AFSCME, and the City of Torrance, new employees covered under this memorandum shall become members in good standing or pay the required service fee to said Local.

Positions in this classification may be considered "safety sensitive" under Federal law and employees assigned to these positions will be required to submit to drug and alcohol screening.

As a condition of employment, candidates must pass a background check and pre-employment medical examination.

The availability to respond to emergency call-outs during and after normal work hours is a must.

Applicants with disabilities who require special testing arrangements must notify the Human Resources office before the examination process.

Benefits

- ★ Employees receive retirement benefits through the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) which is funded through contributions from both the employer and employee.
- ★ Employees currently contribute 6.2% toward Social Security and 1.45% toward the Medicare.
- ★ Deferred Compensation Plan available
- ★ Excellent Health, Dental, Vision plans, and Life Insurance.
- ★ Paid vacation, sick leave, and thirteen paid holidays.
- ★ Flexible spending which provides tax-free options for medical, dental, and child care expenses.
- ★ Tuition Reimbursement Program.
- ★ Interest-free computer loan program.

For more details on our benefits package, visit our website's benefit link: go to www.TorranceCA.Gov, click "Job Opportunities," then "Labor Contracts (MOU's)." Benefits pertinent to this position are covered under the Torrance Municipal Employees **AFSCME** group.

Application Procedures

If this opportunity is a fit for your talents, submit an online City application and supplemental questionnaire at <http://www.TorranceCA.Gov/Jobs>. Applications are being accepted on a continuous basis until the position is filled.

Selection Process

After review of the applications received, only those candidates whose training and experience **best** meet our requirements will be invited to participate in the examination.

The examination will consist of the following:

- ★ Performance Exam (weighted 40%)
- ★ Oral Interview (weighted 60%)

The test dates are to be determined. Please visit our webpage under Recruitment Status for dates and current status.

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WATER SYSTEM OPERATOR III
SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE
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1. Amount of **full-time (40 hour/week or part-time equivalent and paid)** progressively responsible experience in the installation, maintenance, repair and/or inspection of water distribution facilities. (NOTE: This work experience must be reflected on the job application at the time of submission).
- ☐ 1 – 3 years
☐ 4 or more years
2. Do you have a high school diploma or equivalent?
- Yes ☐ No ☐
3. Do you possess and maintain a current and valid California Driver's License? You must provide your driver license number and License Class ("A", "B" or "C") in the designated areas below.
- Yes ☐ No ☐ DL#: CLASS:
4. Do you possess and maintain a current and valid California Department of Health Services Water Distribution License Grade 3 or higher?
- Yes ☐ No ☐ License #: Level: Date of Issue:
5. Do you possess and maintain a current and valid California Department of Health Services Water Treatment 2 or higher license?
- Yes ☐ No ☐ License #: Level: Date of Issue:
6. I certify that the information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this information is subject to verification with my former employers, and that misrepresentation may cause me to forfeit all opportunities to be considered for employment with the City of Torrance.
- Yes ☐ No ☐